

Department for the Aging

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors

Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Ellen Nau, Human Services Program Coordinator

DATE: August 31, 2004

SUBJECT: National Family Caregiver Support Program - Centers for Medicare &

Medicaid Services (CMS) Satellite Broadcast

"Successful Caregiver Coalitions: What is Their Secret?" is the title of a CMS satellite broadcast scheduled for September 22, 2004 from 1:00 – 3:00 P.M. The broadcast will feature a roundtable discussion followed by a question and answer session featuring a diverse 6-member expert panel. The broadcast provides an opportunity to interested parties and organizations to develop and discuss how the coalitions were developed, reasons for their success, how they sustained their initial enthusiasm as they deal with challenging issues, suggested practices that can be incorporated to keep the group energized and productive, and other issues relating to their ongoing success.

CMS has found that many Medicare decisions are made or influenced by caregivers, the relatives or friends of the people with Medicare. Today, there are 44.4 million caregivers who provide unpaid care to another adult or one out of every four households (22.9 million) is involved in providing care to help an older person. Almost six in ten of these caregivers either work or have worked while providing care.

For more information regarding the broadcast, please go to www.cms.hhs.gov/partnerships (under "News and Events") or contact Betty Burrier at 410-786-4649 or bburrier1@cms.hhs.gov

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TO: Executive Directors

Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Tim M. Catherman

Deputy Commissioner, Support Services

DATE: August 31, 2004

SUBJECT: 2000 Special Tabulation on Aging

The Administration on Aging has been working on the 2000 Special Tabulation on Aging. This tabulation should provide the information necessary to update Virginia's Title III Intrastate Funding Formula. The update the provided follows:

There has been some delay due to an unexpected additional disclosure review process. We now expect that the population segment of the tabulation (which contains the data of most interest to the Aging Network) will be available at the beginning of November. CDs will be sent to SUAs and AAAs and the data will be available on the AoA web site (that may take another week or two). The housing information will be available in December.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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FROM: Jay W. DeBoer, J.D.

Commissioner

DATE: August 31, 2004

SUBJECT: Governor Warner Announces 2004 Governor's Community Service And

Volunteerism Awards

RICHMOND - Governor Mark R. Warner today announced the winners of this year's Governor's Community Service and Volunteerism Awards, administered by the Virginia Governor's Commission on National and Community Service. The annual ceremony will take place at the Holiday Inn Koger Center in Richmond, Virginia on September 1, 2004 at 5:15 PM. The awards ceremony will recognize individuals and groups in recognition of their outstanding service to the Commonwealth.

"This event celebrates the generosity of Virginians and their efforts to enhance the lives of their neighbors, and affords us the opportunity to publicly thank them," said Governor Warner. "Virginians have another round of great examples to follow in providing service to their communities."

This year, 22 awards will be presented to groups, individuals, and families whose volunteer and community service efforts have strengthened their communities

The 2004 Governor's Community Service and Volunteerism Award Winners are:

Business (large) -State Farm, Charlottesville;

Business (small) - St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, Alexandria

Chairman's Award - Stewart Gamage, Williamsburg

Civic Engagement - Thomas Shadrick, Virginia Beach

Commonwealth Award - Stephen Northup, Richmond

Faith-Based Program - Volunteer Emergency Families for Children, Midlothian

Family - Alvarez, Strasburg

Government Program - The Songfellows, Arlington

Homeland Security Service - Kimberly Johnson-Smith, Arlington

National Service Individual - Kimberly Lunsford, Roanoke (AmeriCorps VISTA)

National Service Program - Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging, Front Royal

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(Senior Corps); Senior Connections, Richmond (Senior Corps); Clinch Valley Community Action, Inc., North Tazewell (Senior Corps); Hand-In-Hand, Hampton (AmeriCorps VISTA); Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project, Inc., Roanoke (AmeriCorps VISTA)

Nonprofit Group - Bedford Ride, Bedford; Legal Information Network for Cancer, Richmond

Senior Volunteer - Ruth Lucas, Richmond Volunteer - Rosa Jiggetts, Richmond; Monica Vieira, Charlottesville Volunteer Administrator - Teresa Gardner, Coeburn Youth Volunteer - Marcia Sharp, Williamsburg

Additional information about the winners and pictures of the event are available through B.J. Northington at (804) 726-7061.

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SUBJECT: Virginia Aging and AoA in the News

Below are Virginia Aging or AoA related articles that have occurred since last week's Tuesday E-mailing. These links do not require a paid service; however, some (like the Washington Post, etc.) ask a brief survey or registration. Please note some links are time sensitive and can change daily. Some articles may be editorial. Links are presented 'as is".

If you are aware of articles that I am missing, please e-mail me a link for inclusion next week.

VDA In the News

STATE Briefs

Richmond Times Dispatch - Richmond, VA, USA

... at Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center to evaluate the driving fitness of older Virginia motorists. The grant, part of a program called GrandDriver, is used ...

http://www.timesdispatch.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=RTD%2FMGArticle%2FRTD BasicArticle&c = MGArticle&cid=1031777545257&path=!news&s=1045855934842>

Virginia AAAs In the News

SIXTY-FIVE-YEAR-OLD great-granny gets GED

Bristol Herald Courier & Virginia Tennessean - Bristol,TN,USA ... She began volunteering with Mountain Empire Older Citizens as a foster grandparent at ... five Life-Long Learning Awards from the Literacy Foundation of Virginia. ...

http://www.bristolnews.com/servlet/Satellite?pagename=TRI/MGArticle/TRI BasicArticle&c=MGArticle&c=id=1031777469803&path=Variables.path>

'Virginia Tonight' lineup announced

Staunton News Leader - Staunton, VA, USA

... the Charlottesville-area college. Thursday: This evening's "Virginia

Tonight: Coming of Age" series, produced in cooperation with the Jefferson Board of Aging, ...

http://www.newsleader.com/news/stories/20040829/localnews/1138450.html

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AoA News From Around the Nation

FULTON gets \$2.5 million for seniors

Atlanta Journal Constitution (subscription) - Atlanta, GA, USA ... by the Atlanta Regional Commission, but it comes courtesy of the federal Older Americans Act, which is administered by the Administration on Aging, an agency ... < http://www.ajc.com/metro/content/metro/atlanta/0804/26grant.html>

US: NCOA Joins You Can! Steps to Healthier Aging Outreach ... The Mature Market.com - World ... The US Administration on Aging's (AoA) campaign is the aging component of the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Steps to a Healthier US ...

http://www.thematuremarket.com/SeniorStrategic/dossier.php?numtxt=2862&idrb=5

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TO: Executive Directors

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FROM: Janet L. Honeycutt

Director of Programs

DATE: August 31, 2004

SUBJECT: GrandDriver Stay Safe and Mobile Expo Press Release

I am enclosing a copy of a recent press that VDA issued regarding the above mentioned event.

For those that are interested, you can sign up to get all of Governor Warner's press releases electronically by going to the following web link:

http://www.governor.virginia.gov/Contact/GovernorsUpdate/sub.html

Let me know if you have any questions.







FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact:

804-358-8011

State's First "GrandDriver Stay Safe and Mobile Expo" To Be Held September 23 in Richmond Event Helps Seniors, Families Prepare for Later Life

(Richmond, Virginia August 18, 2004) – Virginia's first "GrandDriver Stay Safe and Mobile Expo" for senior drivers and their families will take place on Thursday, September 23 at The ACCA Temple facility in Richmond at 1712 Bellevue Avenue from 10 AM until 2 PM. The public is invited to attend and there is no charge for admission. The event is part of The Virginia Department for the Aging's GrandDriver public awareness initiative, which brings attention to the state's many sources of information and technology available to help seniors who drive stay safe and mobile.

"Maintaining independence through mobility for as long as possible is critical to the health and well-being of all senior Virginians," according to Jay W. DeBoer, J.D., Commissioner of the Virginia Department for the Aging. "The 'Stay Safe and Mobile Expo' was created because many seniors and their families are simply not aware of the information or technology available to help them maintain

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their independence. The Expo setting allows us to bring seniors together with aging specialists and service providers, such as driving assessment facilities and sources of specialized adaptive equipment, in a friendly, convenient setting."

Participants in the "GrandDriver Stay Safe and Mobile Expo" include members of AAA Mid-Atlantic, AARP, the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services, occupational and physical therapists from CJW Medical Center and the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center, the Virginia Assistive Technology System and many, many more.

Representatives from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles and the Virginia State Police will be available to explain and answer questions about new and existing laws that affect seniors and other drivers including the new vision test required of license renewals for those eighty and older.

For more information about GrandDriver and the "Stay Safe and Mobile Expo" call the Virginia Department for the Aging (804) 662-9333 or toll free 1-800-552-3402 or visit www.GrandDriver.net.

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Director of Programs

DATE: August 31, 2004

SUBJECT: 2004 – 2005 VDA Training Calendar

Attached is a copy of the most recent Training Calendar. We will be adding things to this calendar as we progress in the year. As in the past, if you have suggestions for training topics that would be of help to you and your staff, please let me know.

Questions? Please contact me.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING 2004 - 2004 TRAINING CALENDAR JULY 1, 2004 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2005

TOPIC	LOCATION	AUDIENCE	CONTACT	DATE
Title V Data Collection System and Software Training	Richmond	Title V Coordinators	PERSON Pat Cummins 662-7256	September 8 & 9
Title V - IEP, Job Development & Software Training	Washington D.C.	NOVA Only Title V Coordinators	Pat Cummins 662-7256	September 13 & 14
Home Safe Home, Virginia and Remembering When	TBA	Grant Recipients	Carol Driskill 662-9319	September 21, 2004
AIM User Group Training	Richmond	AIM Administrators	Leonard Eshmont 662-9800	October 1, 2004
Title V IEP and Job Development Training for NCOA Projects	Raleigh	Title V Coordinators	Pat Cummins 662-7256	October 4 & 5
AAA Nutrition Directors Meeting and Training	TBA	AAA Nutrition Directors	Carol Driskill 662-9319	Fall 2004
Group Leadership: How to Be an Effective Leader of Groups that are Therapeutic and Fun (\$20)	Piedmont Geriatric Hospital Burkeville, VA	Congregate Site & Senior Center Managers and Staff	Carol Driskill 662-9319	April 13, 2005
Care Coordination Training	TBA	Care Coordinators	Ellen Nau (662-9340) Faye Cates (662-9310)	April 20, 2005
Group Leadership: How to Be an Effective Leader of Groups that are Therapeutic and Fun (\$20)	Piedmont Geriatric Hospital Burkeville, VA	Congregate Site & Senior Center Managers and Staff	Carol Driskill 662-9319	May 19, 2005
Title V Spring Workshop Financial Management Training	TBA Richmond	Title V Coordinators AAA Financial Directors	Pat Cummins 662-7256 Warren McKeon 662-9320	Spring 2005 June 14, 2005

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Financial Management Training	Roanoke	AAA Financial Directors	Warren McKeon 662-9320	June 16, 2005